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MINUTES

OF THE

11th ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

RALEIGH

District Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

Holly Springs Church, Wake Co., N. C.,

AUGUST 15th, 16th and 17th, 1877.

RALEIGH:
EDWARDS, BROUGHTON & CO., PRINTERS AND BINDERS;
NOVEMBER, 1877.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Rev. J. J. WORLDS, President, Raleigh, N. C.
" J. W. FREEMAN, Secretary, Neuse, N. C.
Bro. J. YARBOROUGH, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C.
Rev. C. JOHNSON, Auditor, Raleigh, N. C.

Missionary Board for this Year.

Bro. Vigil Anderson, Raleigh,
" T. Burns, Treasurer, "
" C. Johnson, "
Bro. A. B. Fleming, Rolesville,
" G. W. Harris, Forestville.

Ordained Ministers of the District and their Post Offices.

Rev. H. M. TUPPER,	Raleigh,	North	Carolina.
" G. W. PERRY,	"	"	"
" JNO. JEFFERSON,	"	"	"
" P. T. HALL, Jr.,	"	"	"
" A. SHEPPARD,	"	"	"
" C. JOHNSON,	"	"	"
" J. J. WORLDS,	"	"	"
" Wm. WARRICK,	"	"	"
" R. SHEPPARD,	"	"	"
" H. PAIR,	"	"	"
" DANIEL TUCKER,	"	"	"
" G. W. HARRIS,	Forestville,	"	"
" JOSHUA PERRY,	Louisburg,	"	"
" JNO. JONES,	Smithfield,	"	"
" E. B. BLAKE,	Clayton,	"	"
" D. BLAKE,	"	"	"
" E. RICE,	Stanhope,	"	"
" M. MIAL,	Clayton,	"	"
" JNO. W. FREEMAN,	Neuse,	"	"

Licentiate Ministers.

Bro. T. B. EDWARD,	Raleigh,	North	Carolina.
" JOHN CRAVEN,	"	"	"
" H. M. WILDER,	"	"	"
" S. S. WETHERSPOON,	"	"	"
" W. DUNSON,	"	"	"
" JAMES CHAVUS,	"	"	"
" H. T. COOK,	Wake Forest,	"	"
" F. P. BAKER,	" "	"	"
" C. H. MONTAGUE,	Forestville,	"	"
" A. SMITH,	"	"	"
" A. H. COOK,	"	"	"
" J. C. BARKER,	Clayton,	"	"
" Wm. SANDERS,	"	"	"
" C. SANDERS,	"	"	"
" P. YOUNG,	"	"	"
" ROBERT HAYWOOD,	Selma,	"	"
" JOHN DUE,	Goldsboro',	"	"
" GREEN PERRY,	————	"	"
" JOHN McCOY,	————	"	"

PROCEEDINGS.

HOLLY SPRINGS, August 15th 1877.

The Association met in the School House at 9 o'clock A. M. The Moderator being absent, on motion of Bro. P. C. Williams, Rev. C. Johnson was appoinnted Moderator pro. tem. After reading 23d Psalm, prayer was offered by Rev. Joshua Perry.

The Moderator announced the house open for business.

On motion of Bro. J. C. Barker a committee of three were appointed on Credentials, viz: A. B. Flemming, P. T. Hall, Jr., and Q. C. Mial.

On motion of Bro. J. Jones a committee of five were appointed on Finance, viz: G. W. Harris, J. Jones, P. C. Williams, H. T. Cook and Wm. Rand.

On motion, a committee of three were appointed on Order of Business, viz: P. T. Hall, Jr., Samuel Clemon and C. H. Mountecue.

On motion, a committee of seven were appointed on Ministerial Education, viz: Joshua Perry, A. B. Flemming, R. Baker, Wm. Deadnum, J. C. Barker and Richard Dunn.

On motion, a committee of five were appointed on Temperance, viz: John Yarborough, R. Baker, Q. C. Mial, Jno. Jefferson and J. C. Barker.

On motion, a committee of five were appointed on Sunday Schools, viz: C. Johnson, R. Sheppard, T. B. Edwards, S. Fullwider and R. N. Jeffreys.

On motion of Bro. A. B. Flemming any mover of a proposition shall have his name appended to it.

The committeee on order of business reported as follows, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Order of Business, beg leave to submit, That we meet at 9 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M.; meet at 2 o'clock P. M. and adjourn at pleasure.

P. T. HALL, JR.,
SAM'L CLEMONS,
C. H. MOUNTECUE,
Committee.

Rev. A. Sheppard being absent, on motion of Bro. A. M.

Liggens, Rev. Joshua Perry was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon at 7 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Bro. J. C. Barker, the Treasurer reported as appears below, which was adopted :

J. YARBOROUGH, Treasurer, To WAKE DIS. BAP. ASSOCIATION, Dr.

To amount remaining in Treasury,...		$ 14	20
To amount received from Finance Committee, ...		67	01—81 21
Cr.			
By amount paid for printing and postage,...	25	50	
By amount paid for Clerk fees and Auditor Book,.....	10	75	
By amount paid Treasurer travelling expenses to and from,	2	00	
By amount paid to Missionary Board, ...	2	00	
By amount paid to Rev. Jos. Perry,.....	2	16—42	41
Balance in Treasury,.....		$ 38	80

J. YARBOROUGH, Treasurer.

Having examined the Association account from August 20th, 1876 to August 15th, 1877, I hereby certify that it is correctly cashed and properly vouched, and that there is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of $38.80. C. JOHNSON, Auditor.

On motion of Bro. R. N. Jeffreys the certificate of the Auditor was adopted.

The committee on Credentials reported as follows :

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that we have enrolled 74 delegates.

The hour for adjournment having arrived the Association stood adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Madison Wynn.

AUGUST 15, 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Elder J. Jefferson.

Proceedings of the morning read and approved.

On motion of Elder G. W. Harris, the Association voted to pay off Rev. Josh. Perry, Missionary.

On motion of Rev. J. Jones, the churches paying more than $1.50 toward the Missionary Expenses the amount so overpaid to be returned to them.

On motion of Rev. C. Johnson a committee was appointed to investigate the expenditures of the churches toward the Missionary's salary for the past year. Committee : P. T. Hall, Jr., Wm. Dednum and Edward Smith.

By request of Bro. A. B. Flemming, the Association accepted Bro. Henry Wiggins as delegate in place of Bros. R. F. Daniel and Daniel Flemming, owing to their absence.

On motion of Bro. C. Johnson, a committee of seven were ordered on time and place for the next meeting of the Association. Committee: R. Baker, R. N. Jeffreys, Wm. Witley, Wm. Mitchell, R. Sheppard, H. Walton and Simon Neal.

On motion of Bro. A. B. Flemming, visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Association.

On motion of Bro. J. Yarborough, the Association adjourned, with prayer by Rev. R. Sheppard, to meet again at 7 o'clock, P. M.

August 15th, 7 o'clock P. M.

The Association re-assembled at this hour.

The introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. Joshua Perry from John 1st chap. and 1st verse: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

August 16th, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Association met at the hour appointed. Prayer by Rev. P. T. Hall, Jr.

Roll of delegates called, and the proceedings of the previous session were approved.

On motion of Bro. R. Sheppard, an Introductory Sermon is to be preached at night of the same day the Association assembles.

The following topics were presented by Bro. T. B. Edwards for a sermon to be preached from, and the Association assigned them as appears below:

Rev. P. T. Hall, Jr., to preach the Introductory Sermon.
First topic, "Temperance," assigned to Bro. T. B. Edwards.
Second Topic, "Education," assigned to Rev. C. Johnson.
Third topic, "Missions," assigned to Rev. A. Sheppard.
Fourth topic, "Doctrinal," assigned to Rev. J. J. Worlds.

On motion of Rev. J. Jones, the Association agreed to continue a Missionary for a period of six months instead of four.

On motion of Rev. J. Jones, Rev. Josh. Perry was re-elected for this District to serve as a Missionary.

On motion of Bro. C. Johnson, the Association agreed to pay $21 per month to the Missionary for his services.

The Committee on Sunday Schools reported as follows, which was adopted:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg leave to submit, that we highly endorse the great efforts that have been put forth by the State Sunday School Convention in carrying out this great and good work. And we feel that it is doing so much for this cause, not only in this Association but throughout the entire State; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Ministers and Delegates of this Association, That we will do all we can to have a good Sunday School organized in every church, and in every destitute locality. And that we recommend to all the Teachers and Superintendents of this Association and the State to Revs. C. Johnson and A. Sheppard for suitable books to carry out this work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. JOHNSON,
T. B. EDWARDS,
S. FULWIDER,
R. SHEPPARD,
R. N. JEFFREYS,
Committee.

Committee on Temperance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows:

WHEREAS, Intoxication is condemned in the Bible as a crime for which many are excluded from Heaven; *And whereas,* Our churches can never succeed in doing that, that is required; and much more remains yet that could be said on the subject of intoxication; Wherefore be it

Resolved, That we do not *tolerate* any Minister of the Gospel as a member of this Association, or as a Pastor of any church belonging to this Association, who is in the habit of drinking strong drink as a *beverage.*

Resolved, That we do not think any church a true gospel church that allows its members to visit drinking saloons and the like, and become intoxicated.

We, your Committee, ask this Association to help us drive the enemy from our land, and break down intemperance, for it has been the cause of many hearts of good wives, mothers and children to be broken.

Never be afraid to work for Jesus,
Think how much a word can do,
Labor with a kind and willing spirit,
He for all your toils will pay.

J. YARBOROUGH,
R. BAKER,
Q. C. MIAL,
JNO. JEFFERSON,
J. C. BARKER,
Committee.

The Missionary made his report as follows, for the past year:

REPORT OF DISTRICT MISSIONARY.

Dear Brethren: I am sorry to say, from my observation of the field committed to my charge by your zealous action, I have not been able to have done more in that direction in accomplishing the very tenor of your action. The field is all white ready for the harvest, but the laborers are few. That the spirit of Christianity is the spirit of mission; that the gospel is, both in its nature and spirit, aggressive; that our Divine Redeemer was himself a Missionary in the fullest sense of the term, and that to the extent in which we imbibe his Spirit we become concerned for the salvation of others, and are anxious to do what we can, both directly and indirectly, for their conversion. The mission of the church of Christ was to preach the gospel to every creature beginning at Jerusalem.

Every Christian is, in a material sense, a preacher, and ought and will do all he can to diffuse the Gospel and bring mankind under its influence, just in the proportion that he really loves the Saviour and enjoys a sense of his own gracious condition through Christ. "What a man desires that will he seek for," is as true now as it was when declared by David; and if we desire the salvation of sinners we will be ready to make sacrifices for that object. But alms and prayers should go together. Money alone will not convert men to Christianity. It is right, it is the duty of every Christian to give for the spread of the gospel according as God has prospered them; but our weapon for warfare in this conflict is not carnal, but mighty through the Spirit, pulling down the stronghold of the wicked one. And whenever the heart of the church becomes fully awakened to this duty their alms they give with the same spirit the poor widow had when she cast into the treasury her two mites. And therefore its object, as David's was when he said "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; and if I prefer thee not above my chief joy let my right hand forget her cunning."

The churches as well as the ministers must feel equally concerned in this work—the rank and file as well as the officers must be at their posts. There must be no straggling from our ranks, but each must work for his brother, and march square to his duty. And not our District alone, but North Carolina will, sooner or later, surrender to the Captain of our Salvation. Large fields, I am prepared to say, in our midst and on our borders, are destitute of gospel truth. Our duty is plain, but we are not half awake to it. The work ought to be done, and indeed must be, or the churches may expect to incur the displeasure of our Master. I am sorry that I have not been able to do more than I have during the period for which I was appointed.

I have received from the following churches and persons the amounts named below during my Missionary labors, commencing April 28, and ending August 12, 1877:

Franklinton,	$ 6 00	Riley Hill,	1 21
Liberty,	2 00	Friendship Chapel,	91
Second Baptist, Raleigh,	3 00	Martin Street, Raleigh,	1 13
First Baptist, Raleigh,	2 90	Gethsemane,	1 50
Piney Grove,	2 16	Received from Bro. T Burns, Treas. Missionary Board,	2 00
Macedonia,	1 51	Received from Rev. G. W. Harris,	1 30
Olive Branch,	4 68		
Springfield,	2 00		
Clayton,	2 00		
Good Samaritan,	2 00	Total,	$39 50
Green Hill,	1 50		

The above receipts from the different sources are subordinate to the motion to be returned.

Churches visited, 14, Sermons preached, 39; Sunday School lectures, 5; number of converts during my mission, 17; Councils attended, 1, visits to the sick, 3; number of miles travelled on foot, 208; number of miles travelled on railroad, 203; total number of miles travelled, 411; expenses by railroad, $10.00; prayer meetings attended, 12.

I submit the foregoing with prayerful consideration,

JOSHUA PERRY, *Missionary.*

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion of Bro. C. Johnson, all the ministers connected with this Association were constituted a Ministerial Council.

The Committee on Education made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to submit, that we have been watching the progress of our people for the last twelve years, and we see that school houses and educated ministers are more and more needed among us. Therefore, we earnestly urge the matter upon this Association and that ministers and delegates see to it that the children in their community are educated.

WHEREAS, The cause of our Master is suffering so much for the want of an educated ministry;

We do agree that we will not support any brother who come forward for ordination unless he can read and write well.

Therefore, we do ask the churches of this Association to strive for a more qualified ministry, for we believe it to be the mainspring of the upbuilding of our Master's cause.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA PERRY,
A. B. FLEMING,
R. BAKER,
WM. DEDMAN,
J. C. BARKER,
R. DUNN, *Committee.*

Committee on Time and Place reported as follows, which was adopted:

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit, that the time and place for the next annual meeting of this Association to be held with the Good Samaritan Baptist Church, Johnston County, N. C., on Wednesday before our third Lord's day in August, 1878.

Respectfully submitted,

R. SHEPPARD,
S. NEEL,
A. B. FLEMING,
R. BAKER,
WESLEY WHITLEY,
R. BLALOCK,
WM. MITCHELL,
R. N. JEFFREYS,
H. WALTON,
Committee.

Hour of adjournment having arrived, adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. J. Worlds.

August 17th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Association met at the appointed hour.
Prayer by Bro. Wm. Mitchell.
Roll of delegates called.
Proceedings of previous session read (and with an amendment of Rev. Joshua Perry, that not less than five Ordained Ministers shall constitute a Board to examine and ordain any candidate asking for ordination and is found qualified,) and was approved.
The Finance Committee reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Finance, submit, that we have carefully examined the churches come before us, and have enrolled 38; received $120.75.

Rev. G. W. HARRIS, Chairman.
H. T. COOK,
P. C. WILLIAMS,
Wm. RAND,
JNO. JONES.
Committee.

On motion of Rev. C. Johnson, it was adopted.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY BOARD.

We, the Missionary Board, beg leave to state that we have in connection with the Missionary, raised $36.01.

VIRGIL ANDERSON.
T. BURNS,
C. JOHNSON,
G. W. HARRIS,
A. B. FLEMING,
Missionary Board.

On motion, it was adopted.
On motion of Rev. P. T. Hall, Jr., the Association agreed to be represented in the State Convention at Hillsboro'.
On motion, the following brethren were appointed the delegates to Hillsboro' for the Association: Revs. C. Johnson, J. J. Worlds, G. W. Harris, P. T. Hall, Jr., A. Sheppard, Jno. W. Freeman, Joshua Perry, G. W. Perry, J. Jefferson.
On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay $19.00 to the delegates for the purpose of paying the Association in the Convention.

On motion of Bro. P. T. Hall, Jr., a vote of thanks were tendered to the citizens of Holly Springs and vicinity for their very liberal hospitality extended to us during the session of this Association.

On motion of Bro. J. T. Thompson, a Committee of five were appointed on Grievances, in behalf of the Holly Springs Church, viz: Brethren P. T. Young, J. T. Thompson, H. P. Page, C. H. Montague and M. Wilder.

On motion of Bro. P. T. Hall, Jr., a committee of five were ordered to enroll the names and postoffice address of all the Licentiate Ministers. Committee: P. T. Hall, Jr., H. T. Cook, P. C. Williams, J. Jefferson and A. Harris.

This being the hour of adjournment, on motion of Bro. C. Johnson, the rules were suspended until 1 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Bro. A. B. Flemming, the brother from Nelson Chapel was granted leave of absence.

On motion of Bro. A. B. Flemming, the Association took under consideration the legality of the ordination of Bro. Robert Sheppard. On motion it was referred to a committee of seven, viz: Joshua Perry, E. B. Blake, H. Pair, S. Fulwider, A. B. Flemming, Wm. Rand and S. Neel.

On motion of Bro. P. C. Williams, the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Clerk the same per diem this year as he did last; also $6.50 for superintending the printing of minutes, &c.

On motion of Bro. J. C. Barker the Secretary was allowed $1.50 per diem for services after this session.

On motion of Bro. C. Johnson, the Secretary was ordered to have 600 copies of the minutes printed.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay Rev. G. W. Harris $1.30 for travelling expenses to and from Raleigh attending to business for the Association.

On motion of Bro. H. F. Cook, the Association went into committee of the whole to consider the 16th Article of the Constitution.

On motion, the 16th Article of the Constitution [reading thus: "The churches connected with this Association each shall pay three cents apiece for each member to be represented in this Association,"] was amended to read as follows:

"16. The churches connected with this Association may continue their membership by paying three cents annually upon the head of each member to be represented in the Association."

Rev. Joshua Perry made a generous donation of $15 to the Association.

On motion of Rev. P. T. Hall, the Treasurer was ordered to pay, on proper voucher, $15 to Holly Springs Church when they begin to build their house of worship.

The Treasurer paid to Rev. Joshua Perry, Missionary balance due him for services.

Hour to adjourn arrived, and the Association adjourned with prayer by Elder Jno. Jefferson.

AUGUST 17, 2 o,clock P. M,

Prayer by Elder Harris.

Roll of delegates called. Reading of minutes postponed till close of the session.

Bro. E. B. Blake stated the grievances of Good Hope Church, explaining why they had declined to be represented at this session of the Association.

The committee to examine into the ordination of Bro. R. Sheppard reported as follows, which was adopted:

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit that we have examined the basis upon which the brother secured his ordination and find it to be illegal. Therefore, we recommend further investigation by the Ministerial Council.

JOSHUA PERRY, Ch'm'n.
E. B. BLAKE,
H. PAIR,
S. FULWIDER,
A. B. FLEMMING,
WILLIAM RAND,
S. NEELS, *Committee.*

The committee on Grievances, in behalf of Holly Springs Church, submitted the following, which was adopted:

We, your Committee, in behalf of Holly Springs Church, find their condition deplorable, such as should demand our highest sympathies. Therefore be it

Resolved, That every delegate be requested to bring the matter before their churches when they return home, that they may be prepared to give something for the erecting of another house of worship.

Reeolved, That we will duly recognize the request of this church, sent to us by letter, if it be done by order of Conference.

P. T. YOUNG, Ch'm'n.
J. T. THOMPSON,
H. P. PAGE,
C. H. MOUNTECUE,
M. C. WILDER,
Committee.

The Treasurer returned to all the churches the amounts over $1.50 paid by them for Missionary purposes. Total refunded $12.50.

On motion of Bro. J. T. Thomas, the proceedings of the morning and afternoon session were adopted.

This being the conclusion of the business of the Association, it adjourned with prayer by Rev. D. Tucker.

Rev. J. J. WORLDS, Moderator.

Rev. Jno. W. Freeman, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL COUNCIL.

The Ministerial Council will convene at Selma in Johnston county, N. C., on Friday before the fourth Lord's Day in November, 1877.

Committee of Arrangements: Revs. G. W. Harris, C. Johnson, E. B. Blake and Bro. F. P. Baker.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	CLERKS.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE.	Amount of Money Received.	Church days of worship.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Excommunic't'd	Restored.	Dis'd by letter	Deceased.	Male members	Female mems.	Total.	Sunday School Scholars.	Value of Church Property.	Amount given for the Missionary.
Hall's Chapel,..	Wm. Rand, P. T. Hall, Jr.,.	Wm. Rand,....	P. T. Hall, Jr.,	Raleigh,....	$ 1 65	1	10	11	2	2	..	1	17	38	55	140	$ 200	.
1st Baptist Ch,..	J. J. Worlds, T. B Edwards	D. A. Alston,..	J. J. Worlds,..	"	22 44	all	15	16	8	8	12	12	....	....	748	150	9,000	$ 2 90
2d Baptist Ch,...	J Yarborough, R Sheppard,	E H Lipscomb,	A. Sheppard,	"	3 00	all	...	..	...	..	3	2	25	75	100	250	2,000	3 00
Oak City,.....	C. Johnson, O. Branch,.....	O. Branch,....	C. Johnson,...	"	1 47	2, 4	5	1	4	1	1	1	22	27	49	50	650	.....
White Oak Br'ch	By Letter.	N. G. Pulley,.	S. Hays,.....	Stanhope,.	60	....	...	..	...	..	..	..	11	9	20	....	.....	.....
Springfield,.....	W. Y. Mial, J. D. Johns,....	J. D. Johns,...	E. B. Blake,...	Auburn,...	4 14	1	14	1	3	1	1	1	38	100	138	100	75	2 00
Franklinton.....	J. T. Timlic, M C Conyard,.	A. Fuller,.....	Joshua Perry,.	Fr'nklint n	4 80	4	26	1	4	..	1	4	60	100	160	280	400	6 00
Military, ...	By Letter, ...	H. Ruffin,.....	M. Mial,.....	Clayton,...	2 04	3	5	..	...	..	...	...	....	68	....	.....	.....	.....
Armelia, ...	H. Walton, Q. C. Mial,....	L. T. Mial,. ..	H. Pair,.....	"	1 32	3	10	..	7	1	..	2	15	29	44	127	365	.....
Martin Street,...	E. Smith, S. Fulwider,.....	H. W. Branner	S. Fulwider,...	Raleigh,...	1 65	all	3	1	16	2	..	...	....	....	55	142	163	1 13
Jones' Chapel,.	Wm. Dedman,.....	E. Perry,.....	D. Boyd,.....	Louisburg.	3 33	4	21	..	9	4	2	3	37	74	111	51	.....	.....
Nelson's Chapel,	D. Williams, A. Strickland,.	D. Williams,..	"	"	2 43	2	8	1	1	7	..	5	28	53	81	33	.....	.....
Olive Branch,...	J T Thomson, Wm Mitchell	S. M. Powell,..	G. W. Harris,.	W'keF'rest	4 08	3	15	4	7	3	..	5	....	....	136	130	600	4 68
Smithfield.....	J. Jones, J. C. Barker	Wm Whitfield	J. Jones, ...	Smithfield,	3 00	1, 4	2	..	10	8	..	1	...	....	100	150	400	.....
Stanhope,..... ..	By Letter, ...	P. Perry,.....	E. Rice,.	Stanhope.	1 02	1	...	..	...	1	..	...	12	22	34	60	.....	.....
Piney Grove,....	Frank Hodge, G. Pool, ...	T. Pool,.....	J. Jefferson,..	Clayton,...	1 68	1	25	2	4	1	1	2	30	71	101	....	.....	2 16
Gethsemane,...	R. Baker, J. Harris, ...	J. Jones,.....	H. Pair,.....	Youngville	2 85	1	54	5	4	..	..	..	53	42	95	50	175	1 50
New Providence,	C. Davis, R. Bond,.....	A. Clemmons,.	C. Bynum, ...	Old Shops,	2 40	2	15	2	3	2	..	5	....	....	80	76	.....	.....
Macedonia,.....	G. D. Harris, ...	J. B. Fowler,..	G. W. Harris,.	Rolesville,.	75	1	6	1	...	..	..	..	13	12	25	58	.....	1 51
Baptist Grove,.	H. Turner,.....	C Fletcher,...	D. Tucker,.....	Hayes'...	2 64	1, 3	16	..	3	..	..	1	36	52	88	55	500	.....
Pleasant Grove,.	H. Pair,.....	H. Pair,.....	H. Pair,.....	Raleigh,...	1 04	4	5	..	...	..	..	..	16	22	38	35	.....	.....
Baptist Grove,..	T. Haywood, H. Wilder, ..	A. Haywood,.	E. B. Blake,...	"	4 80	3	14	..	...	..	..	..	65	95	160	73	300	.....
Good Samaritan	C. Penny, H. Turner,.....	J. Turner,.....	S. B. Smith,...	"	99	2	...	2	...	1	..	...	15	18	33	83	.....	86
Selma, ...	R. Haywood,..	J. Allen,.....	E. B. Blake,...	Clayton,...	2 10	4	9	..	4	..	1	..	..	....	70	75	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant,...	R. Dunn, J. W. Freeman,..	C. Justice,....	J W Freeman,.	Neuse,. ..	4 35	2	17	..	8	1	1	..	69	76	146	90	350	.....
Zoar,.....	By Letter,..... ...	J. Green, ...	J. Jefferson,...	Fish Dam,.	1 32	2	1	1	6	1	..	..	15	29	44	36	200	.....
Crabtree, ...	M. C. Wilder,...	Wm. Elliott,..	H. Pair,.....	Raleigh,...	2 01	2	1	..	...	..	..	..	....	....	76	20	120	.....
Riley Hill,.....	J. S. Watkins, J. Taylor,...	F. T. Holton,..	G. W. Harris,.	Rolesville,.	2 67	2	11	..	...	..	..	1	33	56	89	56	300	1 21
New Bethel,. ...	A B Fleming, C H Mounte-	R. F. Daniel,.	G. W. Perry,..	"	4 59	4	49	1	..	2	..	1	57	96	53	122	.....	.....
New Light.....	Wm. Upchurch,... ...[cue,	H. Hocket, ...	.....	New Light,	1 02	4	...	..	..	..	..	..	15	19	34	10	200	.....
Louisburg,.....	S. Neels.....	J. King,.....	J. Perry, ...	Louisburg.	7 39	2, 3	60	2	3	1	1	3	75	180	246	55	600	.....
Shiloh,..	E. P. Page, G. H. Page,....	A. P. Page, ...	L. H. Hackney,	Morrisville	3 00	3	6	1	3	3	3	.	30	70	100	30	100	.....
St. Matthew,...	R. N. Jeffreys, H. Jeffreys,.	T. Darnerson,.	G. W. Perry,..	Raleigh,...	2 64	3	18	4	6	2	3	2	42	46	88	106	200	.....

STATISTICAL TABLE.—*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	CLERKS.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE.	Amount of Money Received.	Church days of worship.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Excommunic'd	Restored.	Dis'd by letter.	Deceased.	Male Memberss.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	Sunday School Scholars.	Value of Church Property.	Amount given for the Missionary.
Holly Springs, ..	J. Holloway,..... ...	S. Clemmons,..	B. Stanford,...	Holly Spr'g	$ 3 00	...	9	..	. .	1	1	3	44	56	100	50	.....	
Friendship,.. ..	P C Williams, A M Liggens,	A. M. Liggens,	C. Johnson,....	Forr'stville	4 93	1	2	2	10	3	2	..	66	95	161	127	1,000	91
Juniper Level,..	L. Carr, M. Turner,....	D. Rand,.....	S. Smith,.....	Jones'.....	84	1	2	2	2	1	..	1	17	11	28	40	.....	....
Green Hill,	P. Young, F. Maut,..... ..	W. Stewart,...	P. Young,.....	My'tts Mill	2 82	....	...	2	2	1	..	..	36	58	94	36	75	1 20
Liberty,.	H. T. Cook, A. Harris, ...	J. J. Cook,. ...	J. Perry,.....	Youngville	2 65	1	5	1	2	3	..	..	58	97	155	73	300	2 00
					120 15		359	64	131	59	33	56	1050	1896	4039	3019	18,473	36 50

CHURCHES NOT REPRESENTED.—Panther Branch, N. C. Sandy Level. postoffice Stanhope, N. C. Sandy Fork, Wilson Postoffice. Spring Hill, Johnston county. Earpsboro', Earpsboro' postoffice. Wakefield, Wakefield postoffice.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This body shall be denominated and known as the RALEIGH DISTRICT BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men; and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

3. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to two or more delegates. Ministers who are members of churches connected with this body, shall be considered members of this Association *ex officio*.

4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, giving an account of the condition of the church, and a statement of all contributed funds for benevolent purposes during the year.

5 The officers of this Association shall be as follows: Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

6. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberations of this body, to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion, after others have spoken, or when called upon give the casting vote in case of a tie.

7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session, and superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes among the churches.

8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches or collected during the session of this body, and disburse the same as ordered by the Association. He shall make to the Association an annual report of the treasury.

9. Any church desiring to become a member of this body, shall present her petition at an annual session of this Association through delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend to the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any church or churches that neglect to preserve gospel order.

11. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all the privileges of the body, save that of voting.

12. The annual session of this body shall commence on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in August, at such place as the Association may select

13. The ministers composing the Association shall hold three ministerial meetings a year, in such places as the brethren may designate.

14. We will receive no minister into this Association but those who have good and moral characters.

15. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the gospel rule.

16. The churches connected with this Association may continue their membership by paying three cents annually upon the head of each member to be represented in the Association.

17. By appointment of the Association there shall be preached during each annual session an introductory sermon.

18. The Constitution may be amended at any annual session, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the assembling of the Association, the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is chosen. In case of the absence of the Moderator, a Moderator *pro tem.* shall be chosen by the Association.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be conducted by such person as the Moderator may designate.
3. At each daily session the names of delegates shall be called, and the proceedings of the previous session be read before entering on the regular business of the day.
4. The members shall observe towards the officers and each other that courtesy which becomes christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak, shall arise and address the Moderator.
6 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject without permission from the Association.
7. All motions which are seconded shall be definitely stated by the Moderator before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion, no motion or proposition shall be considered, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion is decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. All questions, except such as relate to the constitution, shall be decided by a majority of the votes.
12. The Association shall have the right to determine what subjects shall be admitted to its consideration.
13. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without the permission of the Moderator.
14. These rules of order may be amended or altered at any session, by a majority of the Association.